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## India

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### FSSAI Publishes Draft Guidelines for Safe Food to School Children

**Report Categories:**

Sanitary/Phytosanitary/Food Safety

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**Report Highlights:**

On October 14, 2015, in order to comply with the July 31, 2015 order from the High Court of India, the Government of India's (GOI) Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) published [Draft Guidelines for Making Available Wholesome, Nutritious, Safe and Hygienic Food to School Children in India](#). To date, FSSAI has provided no comments deadline for the draft guidelines or notified the document to the World Trade Organization.

**General Information:**

On October 14, 2015, , in order to comply with the July 31, 2015 order from the High Court of India, FSSAI published the [Draft Guidelines for Making Available Wholesome, Nutritious, Safe and Hygienic Food to School Children in India](#). The guidelines are in draft form and will eventually be finalized after inviting comments from various stakeholders. To date, FSSAI has provided no comments deadline for the draft guidelines or notified the document to the World Trade Organization.

The full text of the amendments as given in the FSSAI's notification published on October 14, 2015, is attached below and is also available on FSSAI's website: <http://www.fssai.gov.in/>.

Details of Notification: F.No.1/School Guidelines/IEC/FSSAI-2015-16

- Publication Date: October 14, 2015
- Status: Draft
- Date of Implementation: Not notified as of October 19, 2015
- WTO Notification Date: Not notified as of October 19, 2015

Products affected: All food products.

Agency in Charge: Food Safety and Standards Authority of India, Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GOI.

**General Information:**

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**F. No. 1/School Guidelines/IEC/FSSAI-2015-16**  
**Food Safety and Standards Authority of India**  
(A Statutory Authority established under the Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006)  
(Ministry of Health and Family Welfare)  
**FDA Bhawan, Kotla Road, New Delhi-110002**

The 12<sup>th</sup> October, 2015

**ORDER**


**Subject:- Draft Guidelines for Making Available Wholesome, Nutritious, Safe and Hygienic Food to School Children in India - regarding.**

WHEREAS the Central Advisory Committee (CAC) of the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) was entrusted by the Hon'ble High Court of Delhi in the matter of WP (C) 8568/2010 "Uday Foundation for Congenital Defects and Rare Blood Groups v/s Union of India and Ors." with the work of development of guidelines for making available wholesome, nutritious, safe and hygienic food to school children in India,

2. WHEREAS the Central Advisory Committee (CAC) has submitted the draft guidelines to Hon'ble High Court which has directed the FSSAI to give the said guidelines the form of Regulations or Directions and to further take appropriate steps for ensuring enforcement thereof.

3. WHEREAS it has been decided by the Food Authority to issue the said Guidelines in the "Draft" form as the said draft Guidelines would be converted into a Regulation in due course after following the prescribed process of inviting comments, suggestions, etc. from various stakeholders.

4. WHEREAS in compliance of the Order dated 31.07.2015 of the Hon'ble High Court, Delhi in the matter of WP (C) 8568/2010 and as per the decision of the Food Authority, the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India issues the draft Guidelines titled **"Guidelines for making available wholesome, nutritious, safe and hygienic food to school children in India"** enclosed herewith.

  
(Ashish Bahuguna)  
Chief Executive Officer

Encl: as above

To,

1. All concerned Ministries / Departments / Organisations
2. All Food Safety Commissioners